

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 338 as follows:

In the VoIP router 11, there is a need to avoid making an audio frame ~~waiting~~ wait until transmission of a packet to the WAN is finished where the packet may be such a long packet as that of FTP (file transfer protocol) or HTTP (hypertext transport protocol). To this end, such a long packet is divided, and audio packets are inserted therebetween. This is called fragmentation. The VoIP router checks an MTU (maximum transfer unit) size of the IP (Internet protocol) layer. When the router receives a packet having a size exceeding the MTU size, the router notifies, via ICMP (Internet control message protocol), the source of the packet that the excess size of the packet creates ~~errors~~ errors, and notifies the source how large the MTU size is. An apparatus at the packet source adjusts the packet size to the MTU size, and transmits packets having a shorter size.